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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

Rod:

- 1. I have just read \_\_\_\_\_ memorandum of STATINTL 21 January to you on the Subject of counterterrorism training.
- 2. I believe there is probably no more significant, current challenge facing the Office of Training than this matter. Each reported potential or actual event of counterterrorism -- and such reports are daily coming to our attention -- add to the need and significance. I would appreciate it if you would deeply involve yourself, personally, in this activity and I request to be personally kept aware of developments on a continuing basis. Because of its significance there will be many eyes focused on the responsiveness of the Office of Training in this matter, as well as the efficacy of its course development and presentation. I believe it also in order to mention that I suppose there are others in the Agency who would have a desire to receive the responsibility. We should give them no opportunity to reopen the issue.
- 3. I assume, but do not know, that you propose to request participation by all individual units, i.e., OTS, OS, \_\_\_\_\_ etc. This would directly make an Agency-wide effort to meet an Agency-wide problem.
- 4. Should you need some additional and reasonable funding to meet this problem, let me know. If you would like some supplemental personnel help from the Directorate to help in assisting organizing the program, also let me know.

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5. My interest in this matter is now known and I believe this is an additional challenge to show the role OTR is playing in the modern day history of the Agency. Commencing with your Weekly Report for the week of 26 January, please include a weekly entry on developments. I would also ask that you verbally keep me informed as matters proceed.

figned: John F. Blake

John F. Blake Deputy Director for Administration

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